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Enclosed is an amendment to the above-identified application.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Paid For	Number Extra Claims	Small Entity Rate	Large Entity Rate	FEE
Total Claims Fee	15	* 20		x \$9.00	x \$18.00	
Independent Claims	2	** 3		x \$42.00	x \$84.00	
Multiple Dependent Claims ***				\$140.00	\$280.00	
TOTAL FILING FEE						\$0
NO ADDITIONAL FEE REQUIRED ****	IF NO FEE REQUIRED, INSERT "0"					0
LIST INDEPENDENT CLAIMS: 1, 10						
* IF HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR IS 20 OR LESS, WRITE "20" IN COLUMN 3						
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*** PAY THIS FEE ONLY WHEN MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS ARE ADDED FOR THE FIRST TIME						
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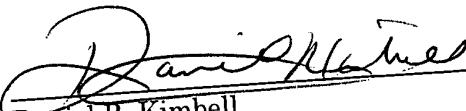
- Attached is our check for \$ to pay the fees calculated above.
- A Petition for Extension of Time and the required fee are enclosed.
- Other enclosures: Return Postcard

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by or to give effect to this paper to Deposit Account No. 03-1728. Please show our docket number with any charge or credit to our Deposit Account. **A copy of this letter is enclosed.**

Respectfully submitted,

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Commissioner:

This paper is filed in response to the Office action of September 16, 2002. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims:

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Please cancel claim 16.

REMARKS

After the amendment herein, claims 1-15 are pending.

In response to the restriction requirement, Applicant elects to have prosecution continue based upon the invention of group I, including claims 1-15.

Applicant further elects species 1, shown in FIG. 1 upon which examination should proceed.

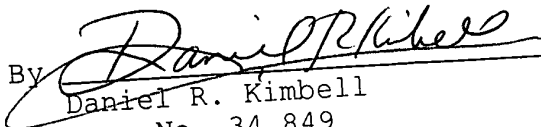
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If the Examiner has any remaining issues, a telephone call to the undersigned would be appreciated.

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